



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Marcus EH et al.

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AMENDMENT A

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 16, 2003, the period for response being extended for two (2) months to March 16, 2004 by the Petition for Extension of Time and fee submitted herewith, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks. Entry of the amendments and reconsideration are requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin at page 7 of this paper.